all Research Institutes vide Letter No. 17(16)/68-Edn-II dated 21st November/3rd December, 1969 for its implementation; and

(b) if so, the reasons that neither IARI Library has since been given status of its Divisions nor its librarians have been UGC Pay Scales equivalent to librarians of Deemed Universities and State Agricultural Universities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) was reorganised in 1975 into scientific and technical services. After its reorganisation the Ramaiah Committee recommendation became irrelevant. While the UGC pay scales have been adopted by ICAR for scientific cadre, for other staff, viz. technical, administrative and supporting, ICAR has adopted Central Govenrment Pay Scales. According to Rules and Bye Laws of ICAR Society, the Librarians are categorised as Technical and hence the question of giving them UGC Pay Scales does not arise.

Per Capita Availability of Milk

2025. SHRI E. BALANANDAN:
SHRI C.O. POULOSE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the per capita milk availability in the country for the last three years and the demand-supply position, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): The per capita availability and demand/requirement of milk in the country during the last three years are as under:

Year	Per capita availability of milk (gramme per day)	Demand/ Require-ment (Million-Tonne)	Milk Produced/ Available (Million-Tonne)
1995-96	197	73.9	66.3
1996-97	200	75.2	68.3
1997-98	203	76.4	70.6

The demand is based on the recommended nutritional norms prescribed by Indian Council of Medical Research.

Milk production in the country

2026. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total production of milk in the country, Statewise both in private and public sector;

(b) what is the total requirement of milk in the country.

(c) whether there is any shortfall in milk production; and

(d) If so, what steps are being taken to increase the milk production in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) Statewise production of milk in the country during 1997-98 is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) As per nutrtional norms recommended by ICMR, the total requirement of milk in the country for 1997-98 is 76.4 million tonnes against the estimated production of milk of 70.6 million tonnes.

(d) Various central and centrally sponsored schemes are being implemented to increase milk production. Some of the important schemes/programmes are as follows:-

(i) Extension of Frozen Semen Technology and progeny Testing Programme.

(ii) National Bull Production Programme.

(iii) Assistance to States for feed and Fodder Development.

(iv) National Project on Rinderpest Eradication.

(v) Assistance to States for Control of Animal Diseases.

(vi) Integrated Dairy Development Projects in Non-Operation Flood, Hillay and Backward Areas.